THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) With a view to ensuring timley supply of paper to the educational sector, and to ensure that the price of text books, exercise-books, etc., were not unduly affected by the repeal of the Paper Control Order, a subsidy scheme with an annual allocation of Rs. 24 crores was introduced. This subsidy is provided @Rs. 3,000 per tonne, and 80.000 MTs can be made available for distribution to States/UTs in a year. The prices of school text-books and exercise-books manufactured from concessional paper are fixed in the context of the price of the concessional paper. There has been no increase so far in the price of the concessional paper since the introduction of the subsidy scheme, w.e.f. January, 1987.

(b) and (c) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the table of the House.

Transfer of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas

1960. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that transfer of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas is not being done after 20-11-1988 except on the basis of terminal illness and/or administrative exigencies; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that no teacher is being adjusted against the post of a teacher of another cadre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. During 1988-89, no transfer has been done after 20--11-1988 except on grounds of terminal illness and/or administrative exigencies.

(b) Yes, Sir. Except on compelling administrative reasons in exceptional circumstances.

Opening of hostels in Kendriya Vidyalayas

1961. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 382 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th March, 1989 and state:

(a) what are the details of Kendriya Vidyalayas which have hostels for (i) boys (ii) girls and (iii) common for boys and girls in the country; and

(b) What are the details of hostels which are proposed to be built up during the financial session 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) There are 10 Kendriya Vidyalayas having hostel facility for boys only while 2 Kendriya Vidyalayas have hostels for girls only. There is only one Kendriya Vidyalaya having hostel facility for both boys and girls.

(b) Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan do not, at present have any pending proposal to open hostel in more schools.